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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of April 3, 2007, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on July 3, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action.

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